(54) Title: PERSONAL MESSAGING SYSTEM
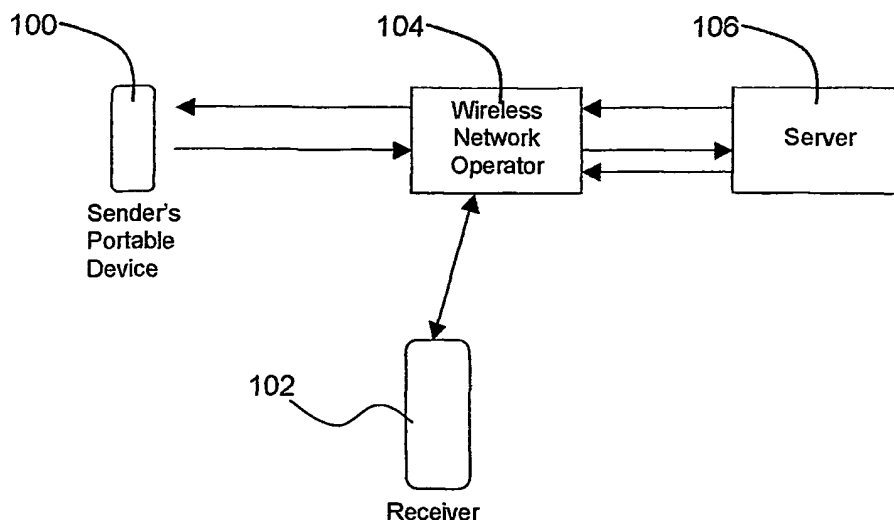
(57) Abstract: A personal messaging system including a portable device for recording and transmitting a voice message, and a server operative to receive the voice message, extract the identity of a recipient from a predefined portion of the voice message, look up the recipient identity in a database associated with the sender of the message in which at least one recipient identity is associated with at least one destination address, compose an outgoing message based on the voice message, and transmit the outgoing message to at least one destination address associated with the recipient identity in the database.